REMARKS

Claims 1-19 are pending. By this Amendment, Applicant amends the Abstract, the specification, and claims 1-19.

By this substitute specification, Applicant amends the specification. A marked-up copy of the original specification, in which deletions are indicated by strike-through, and additions are indicated by underlining, is also attached. The substitute specification places the application in proper idiomatic English and corrects minor informalities. No new matter is added by the substitute specification. Prompt and favorable examination is respectfully solicited.

Furthermore, by this Amendment, Applicant amends claims 1-19 to adjust the formatting. The amendments do not effect the scope of the claims.

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Attachments:

Appendix A: Marked-up Substitute Specification

Appendix B: Clean Substitute Specification

Appendix B: Abstract

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